Minutes of the <u>Regular Work Session</u> of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, City of Kingsport, Tennessee Monday, December 16, 2013, 4:30 PM Council Room – City Hall

PRESENT: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Mayor Dennis Phillips
Alderman John Clark
(arrived after roll call)
Alderman Colette George

Vice-Mayor Mike McIntire Alderman Tom C. Parham Alderman Tom Segelhorst

City Administration

John G. Campbell, City Manager J. Michael Billingsley, City Attorney James H. Demming, City Recorder

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: 3:00 p.m. by Mayor Phillips.
- **2. ROLL CALL:** By Deputy City Recorder Angie Marshall. Absent: Alderman Jantry Shupe.
- 3. STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION. School Superintendent Dr. Lyle Ailshie presented the strategic plan for education, noting it would be available on line and in a condensed brochure in the future. He introduced various members of school staff who were present. Dr. Ailshie then outlined the mission of the school system, stating the main focus was on college and career readiness. He discussed system goals and key practices to achieve them, noting the effects on education, facilities and equipment.

NOTE: Item VI B.3 was discussed at this time while Dr. Ailshie had the floor.

VI.B.3 Consideration of an Ordinance to Amend the FY 2014 General Project Funds Budget (AF: 286-2013). City Manager Campbell stated staff addressed the concerns of the board from the last meeting of using bond money for four-year computer equipment. He further stated the schools had longer term projects that will now use the bond money which will free up other money in the budget for the computers. Dr. Ailshie noted they will wait on the administrator devices. He also addressed the issue of creating a replacement fund for this equipment. Mr. David Frye provided further details. Dr. Ailshie then asked that Items VI.D.1 through VI.D.4 be deferred until the BMA meets in January.

Planning Manager Lynn Tully gave a presentation on strategic planning for neighborhoods, housing and development. She discussed the localized homebuilding timeline and the opportunities in the housing market, pointing out the need for apartments in the rental market. Ms. Tully also provided details on commercial development, noting the key for our community is redevelopment. There was some discussion.

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- **4. DISCUSS CAROUSEL PROJECT AT FOOD CITY.** Assistant to the City Manager Chris McCartt stated the city received a letter today from Food City agreeing to the terms and requested moving forward on the closing date. City Attorney Billingsley gave further details. Discussion ensued.
- **5. PRESENTATION OF 800 RADIO SYSTEM.** Mr. Mark Bowery discussed this item, noting the current system has been in place since 2001 and is in a critical state. He gave details on the part the state will play in the maintenance of this system once it is in place.
- **6. WORK SESSION TICKLER.** Public Works Director Ryan McReynolds discussed the paving on Orebank Road.
- 7. REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS ON THE DECEMBER 17, 2013 REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA. City Manager Campbell, members of staff and community members provided a summary or presentation for each item on the proposed agenda. Those items the Board discussed at greater length or which received specific questions or concerns included:
- VI.B.1 Consideration and Approval of an Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances, City of Kingsport, Tennessee, Division 2, Section 98-215 through Section 98-235, Regarding Parking in the Downtown Area (AF: 312-2013). Planning Manager Lynn Tully explained the details on the time limits regarding parking for downtown residents. Some discussion followed.
- VI.D.6 Consideration of a Resolution Awarding the Bid for the Purchase of One (1) Tandem Axle Dump Truck to Worldwide Equipment, Inc. (AF: 319-2013). City Manager Campbell noted the award was going to the low compliant bidder. Alderman Segelhorst questioned the need to go to an out-of-state bidder when the local bidder was only \$1,000 more. Fleet Manager Steve Hightower provided further information and discussion ensued.
- VI.D.9 Consideration of a Resolution to Authorize the Rejection of all Bids Submitted for the "Tennessee Roadscapes" Project for Landscaping Six Area Interchanges/Intersections (AF: 323-2013). City Manager Campbell explained the bidders were not qualified and therefore this project needs to be rebid.
- VI.D.11 Consideration of a Resolution Approving an Agreement with the Industrial Development Board of the City of Kingsport, TN (KEDB) for a Contribution for Economic Development (AF: 324-2013). City Manager Campbell pointed out we won't have to budget as much if some land can be sold.

BOARD COMMENT. None.

PUBLIC COMMENT, None.

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8. ADJOURN. Seeing no other matters presented for discussion at this work session, Mayor Phillips adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

DENNIS R. PHILLIPS

Mayor